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TEACHER PUPIL RATIO IN D.ED COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the teacher-pupil ratio fixed by the National Council of Teachers Education(NCTE), New Delhi in D.Ed colleges;

(b) whether the State Governments particularly the Maharashtra Govt. have sought any relaxation in the said ratio from the N.C.T.E.;

(c) if so, whether the relaxation has been provided by the Council;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) In the norms and standards prescribed by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for elementary teacher education courses (D.Ed.), requirement for teachers has been prescribed as under :

i) For a unit of 50 students or less (with combined strength of 100 or less for 2 years course), the full time teaching faculty shall comprise of the Principal/Head and at least 5 lecturers. For intake of students in excess of the prescribed unit, the number of full time teachers shall be increased proportionately.

ii) Appointment of teachers should be so distributed as to ensure the required nature and level of expertise for teaching methodology courses and foundation courses.

iii) For teaching subjects such as physical education, art, work experience, music, information technology, literacy etc. part time instructors may be appointed.

(b) to (e) Governments of Maharashtra, Gujarat and West Bengal had sought certain relaxations in the requirement of teachers for elementary teachers training (D.Ed.) courses. The relaxation granted in regard to the number of teachers is as under :

i) For the states of Gujarat and Maharashtra, in case of existing Government and Government aided elementary teacher education colleges established prior to establishment of NCTE, there should be at least 4 teachers besides Principal/Head for aUnit of 50 students per year. State Governments would also provide at least one part time teacher in these institutions.

ii) In case of West Bengal, for an intake of 60 or less students, at least 3 teachers on regular appointments besides Principal/Head are provided. For intake in excess of 80 students, additional teachers on regular appointment will be provided to maintain the teacher pupil ratio of 1:20.